

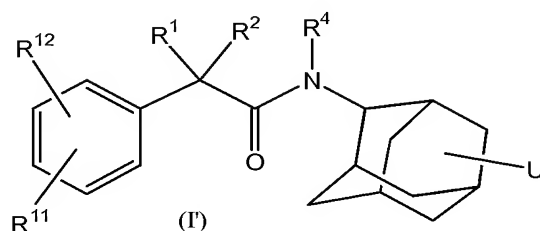
**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the captioned application.

**Listing of Claims**

Claim 1-12. (Cancelled)

Claim 13. (Currently Amended) A compound of formula (I')



~~the N-oxide forms, the pharmaceutically acceptable addition salts and the stereochemically isomeric forms~~ or an N-oxide form, a pharmaceutically acceptable addition salt or a stereochemically isomeric form thereof wherein

$R^1$  and  $R^2$  each independently represents hydrogen,  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl,  $NR^9R^{10}$ ,  $C_{1-4}$ alkyloxy or  $Het^3-O-C_{1-4}$ alkyl; or

$R^1$  and  $R^2$  taken together with the carbon atom with which they are attached from a  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl;

$R^4$  represents hydrogen,  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl, or  $C_{2-4}$ alkenyl;

U represents  $C_{1-4}$ alkyloxy, phenyl, halo, oxo, carbonyl or hydroxyl;

$R^5$  and  $R^6$  are each independently selected from hydrogen,  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl,  $C_{1-4}$ alkyloxy $C_{1-4}$ alkyl,  $C_{1-4}$ alkyloxycarbonyl,  $C_{1-4}$ alkylcarbonyl,  $C_{1-4}$ alkylcarbonyl substituted with one or where possible two or three substituents each independently selected from halo,  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl, and  $C_{1-4}$ alkyloxy or  $R^5$  and  $R^6$  each independently represent  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl substituted with phenyl;

$R^7$  and  $R^8$  are each independently selected from hydrogen or  $C_{1-4}$ alkyl;

R<sup>9</sup> and R<sup>10</sup> are each independently selected from hydrogen, C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyloxycarbonyl;

R<sup>11</sup> and R<sup>12</sup> are each independently selected from hydrogen, halo, C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyloxy, hydroxy, nitro, Het<sup>4</sup>, phenyl, phenyloxy, C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyloxycarbonyl, hydroxycarbonyl, NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>, C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyloxy substituted with one or where possible two or three substituents each independently selected from hydroxycarbonyl, Het<sup>2</sup> and NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>8</sup>, C<sub>2-4</sub>alkenyl substituted with one substituent selected from phenyl-C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl-oxycarbonyl, C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyloxycarbonyl, hydroxycarbonyl, Het<sup>5</sup>-carbonyl, and C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl substituted with one or where possible two or three substituents each independently selected from halo, dimethylamine, trimethylamine, amine, cyano, Het<sup>6</sup>, Het<sup>7</sup>-carbonyl, C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyloxycarbonyl or hydroxycarbonyl;

Het<sup>4</sup> ~~represents a heterocycle selected from pyridinyl, piperidinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl, piperazinyl, pyridazinyl, indolyl, isoindolyl, indolinyl, furanyl, benzofuranyl, thiazolyl, oxazolyl, isoxazolyl, isothiazolyl, benzothiophenyl, thiophenyl, 1,8-naphthyridinyl, 1,6-naphthyridinyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl, 1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-isoquinolinyl, quinoxalinyl, quinazolinyl, phthalazinyl, 2H-benzopyranyl, 3,4-dihydro-2H-benzopyranyl, 2H-benzothiopyranyl, 3,4-dihydro-2H-benzothiopyranyl or 1,3-benzodioxolyl;~~

Het<sup>2</sup> represents a monocyclic heterocycle selected from piperidinyl, pyridinyl, pyridazinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl, piperazinyl, 2H-pyrrolyl, pyrrolyl, 2-pyrrolinyl, 3-pyrrolinyl, pyrrolidinyl, or morpholinyl, said Het<sup>2</sup> optionally being substituted with one or where possible two or more substituents each independently selected from hydroxy, carbonyl, C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyloxy;

Het<sup>3</sup> represents a monocyclic heterocycle selected from 2H-pyranyl, 4H-pyranyl, furanyl, tetrahydro-2H-pyranyl, pyridinyl, piperidinyl, or furanyl;

Het<sup>4</sup> represents a monocyclic heterocycle selected from pyridazinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrrolidinyl, pyrazinyl, piperazinyl, triazolyl, tetrazolyl or morpholinyl, said Het<sup>4</sup> optionally being substituted with one or where possible two or more substituents each independently selected from hydroxy, carbonyl, C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyloxy;

Het<sup>5</sup> represents a monocyclic heterocycle selected from pyridazinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrrolidinyl, pyrazinyl, piperazinyl or morpholinyl, said Het<sup>5</sup> optionally being substituted with one or where possible two or more substituents each independently selected from hydroxy, carbonyl, C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyloxy;

Het<sup>6</sup> represents a monocyclic heterocycle selected from pyridazinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrrolidinyl, pyrazinyl, piperazinyl or morpholinyl, said Het<sup>6</sup> optionally being substituted with one or where possible two or more substituents each independently selected from hydroxy, carbonyl, C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyloxy; and

Het<sup>7</sup> represents a monocyclic heterocycle selected from pyridazinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrrolidinyl, pyrazinyl, piperazinyl or morpholinyl, said Het<sup>7</sup> optionally being substituted with one or where possible two or more substituents each independently selected from hydroxy, carbonyl, C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyloxy.

Claim 14-22. (Cancelled)

Claim 23. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 13, wherein R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>2</sup> each independently represents hydrogen, C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyloxy.

Claim 24. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 13, wherein R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>2</sup> each independently represents methyl or methoxy.

Claim 25. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 13, wherein R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>2</sup> taken together with the carbon atom with which they are attached form cyclopropyl or cyclobutyl.

Claim 26. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 13, wherein R<sup>4</sup> represents hydrogen.

Claim 27. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 13, wherein U represents hydroxy or halo.

Claim 28. (Currently Amended) A compound according to claim 13, wherein Het<sup>5</sup> represents a monocyclic heterocycle selected from piperazinyl or morpholinyl;

Claim 29. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 13, wherein Het<sup>7</sup> represents a monocyclic heterocycle selected from piperazinyl or morpholinyl.

Claim 30. (Previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and a compound of claim 13.

Claim 31. (Cancelled)

Claim 32. (Currently Amended) A compound according to claim 13, wherein the compound is selected from:

(1 $\alpha$ ,2 $\beta$ ,3 $\beta$ ,5 $\beta$ ,7 $\beta$ )-N-(5-hydroxytricyclo[3.3.1.1<sup>3,7</sup>]dec-2-yl)- $\alpha$ , $\alpha$ -dimethyl-benzeneacetamide;  
 (1 $\alpha$ ,2 $\beta$ ,3 $\beta$ ,5 $\beta$ ,7 $\beta$ )-N-(5-hydroxytricyclo[3.3.1.1<sup>3,7</sup>]dec-2-yl)- $\alpha$ , $\alpha$ -dimethyl-3-methyl-benzeneacetamide;  
 (1 $\alpha$ ,2 $\beta$ ,3 $\beta$ ,5 $\beta$ ,7 $\beta$ )-N-(5-hydroxytricyclo[3.3.1.1<sup>3,7</sup>]dec-2-yl)- $\alpha$ , $\alpha$ -dimethyl-3-methoxy-benzeneacetamide;  
 (1 $\alpha$ ,2 $\beta$ ,3 $\beta$ ,5 $\beta$ ,7 $\beta$ )-N-(5-hydroxytricyclo[3.3.1.1<sup>3,7</sup>]dec-2-yl)- $\alpha$ , $\alpha$ -dimethyl-3-hydroxy-benzeneacetamide;  
 (1 $\alpha$ ,2 $\beta$ ,3 $\beta$ ,5 $\beta$ ,7 $\beta$ )-N-(5-hydroxytricyclo[3.3.1.1<sup>3,7</sup>]dec-2-yl)- $\alpha$ , $\alpha$ -dimethyl-3,5-dimethyl-benzeneacetamide);  
~~(1 $\alpha$ ,2 $\beta$ ,3 $\beta$ ,5 $\beta$ ,7 $\beta$ )-N-(5-hydroxytricyclo[3.3.1.1<sup>3,7</sup>]dec-2-yl)-3-(phenylmethoxy)benzeneacetamide;~~  
 (1 $\alpha$ ,2 $\beta$ ,3 $\beta$ ,5 $\beta$ ,7 $\beta$ )-N-(5-hydroxytricyclo[3.3.1.1<sup>3,7</sup>]dec-2-yl)- $\alpha$ , $\alpha$ -dimethyl-3-(carboxymethoxy)-benzeneacetamide;  
 (1 $\alpha$ ,2 $\beta$ ,3 $\beta$ ,5 $\beta$ ,7 $\beta$ )-N-(5-hydroxytricyclo[3.3.1.1<sup>3,7</sup>]dec-2-yl)- $\alpha$ , $\alpha$ -dimethyl-3-[2-(4-morpholinyl)ethoxy]-benzeneacetamide;  
 (1 $\alpha$ ,2 $\beta$ ,3 $\beta$ ,5 $\beta$ ,7 $\beta$ )-N-(5-fluorotricyclo[3.3.1.1<sup>3,7</sup>]dec-2-yl)- $\alpha$ , $\alpha$ -dimethyl-benzeneacetamide;  
 (1 $\alpha$ ,2 $\beta$ ,3 $\beta$ ,5 $\beta$ ,7 $\beta$ )-N-(5-methoxytricyclo[3.3.1.1<sup>3,7</sup>]dec-2-yl)- $\alpha$ , $\alpha$ -dimethyl-benzeneacetamide;  
 (1 $\alpha$ ,2 $\alpha$ ,3 $\beta$ ,5 $\beta$ ,7 $\beta$ )-N-(5-methoxytricyclo[3.3.1.1<sup>3,7</sup>]dec-2-yl)- $\alpha$ , $\alpha$ -dimethyl-benzeneacetamide;  
 3-(3-{2-[(5-fluoro-2-adamantyl)amino]-1,1-dimethyl-2-oxoethyl}-5-methylphenyl)propanoic acid; and  
 4-(3-{2-[(5-hydroxy-2-adamantyl)amino]-1,1-dimethyl-2-oxoethyl}-5-methylphenyl)butanoic acid; ~~and~~

~~tert-butyl 4-[3-(3-{2-[(5-hydroxy-2-adamantyl)amino]-1,1-dimethyl-2-oxoethyl}-5-methylphenyl)propanoyl]-1,4-diazepane-1-carboxylate~~; or a N-oxide, a pharmaceutically acceptable addition salt, or a stereochemically isomeric form thereof.

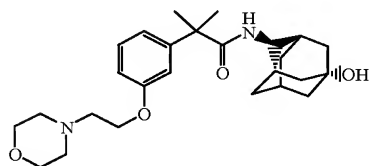
Claim 33. (New) A compound according to claim 13 wherein the compound is selected from

(1 $\alpha$ ,2 $\beta$ ,3 $\beta$ ,5 $\beta$ ,7 $\beta$ )-N-(5-hydroxytricyclo[3.3.1.1<sup>3,7</sup>]dec-2-yl)- $\alpha,\alpha$ -dimethyl-benzeneacetamide;

(1 $\alpha$ ,2 $\beta$ ,3 $\beta$ ,5 $\beta$ ,7 $\beta$ )-N-(5-hydroxytricyclo[3.3.1.1<sup>3,7</sup>]dec-2-yl)- $\alpha,\alpha$ -dimethyl-3-methyl-benzeneacetamide; and

(1 $\alpha$ ,2 $\beta$ ,3 $\beta$ ,5 $\beta$ ,7 $\beta$ )-N-(5-hydroxytricyclo[3.3.1.1<sup>3,7</sup>]dec-2-yl)- $\alpha,\alpha$ -dimethyl-3-methoxy-benzeneacetamide; or a N-oxide, a pharmaceutically acceptable addition salt or a stereochemically isomeric form thereof.

Claim 34. (New) A compound according to claim 13 wherein the compound is



or a N-oxide, a pharmaceutically acceptable addition salt or a stereochemically isomeric form thereof.

Claim 35. (New) A compound according to claim 13 wherein R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>2</sup> each represent C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl.